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USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT ANNOUNCES FUNDING FOR DIALVILLE-OAKLAND WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION

RUSK, TEXAS, June 2, 2005 – Bryan Daniel, USDA Rural Development State Director, announced today that the Dialville-Oakland Water Supply Corporation has been awarded \$1,015,000 through the agency's Community Programs Water and Waste Disposal Loan and Grant program. The funds will be used to make improvements to the water supply system. To highlight the announcement of this award, a ceremonial check will be presented to Mr. Charles Peters, President of Dialville-Oakland Water Supply Corporation.

"These funds from USDA Rural Development will enable the Dialville-Oakland Water Supply Corporation to renovate and expand its water facility, which has been serving its customers since 1981," said Daniel. "These improvements will help provide better service to the communities of Oakland, Dialville and Delmar."

USDA Rural Development's Community Programs provide funding for construction, improvement, or expansion of water and waste disposal systems, telecommunication and education resources, and necessary community facilities.

USDA Rural Development's Water and Wastewater Program is designed to bring fresh, clean, drinking water and sanitary, environmentally sound sewage facilities to rural America's 53 million residents. Loans and grants are available to rural communities with fewer than 10,000 residents. Public bodies, corporations operating on a non-profit basis, and Indian tribes that are unable to obtain credit from other sources at reasonable rates and terms are eligible for assistance.

USDA Rural Development strives to see that rural citizens can participate fully in the global economy by providing technical assistance, funding, and other programs that help rural Americans build strong economies to improve their quality of life. For further information regarding USDA Rural Development programs, contact the Henderson office at (903) 657-8221 Ext. 4, or visit our website at http://rurdev.usda.gov/tx/.

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